



CASCADE CITY COUNCIL
SECOND REGULAR MEETING and PUBLIC HEARING
Monday, April 26, 2021
6:00 PM
Cascade City Hall
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL Meeting called to order at 6:01 pm.

Present Council Members Denise Tangen, Cynda Herrick and Rachel Huckaby, Ron Brown
A **quorum** was present.

Present in person Judith Nissula, Mayor Janice Van Winkle, Clerk
Heather Soelberg, Treasurer

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENT

Elt Hasbrouk inquired when the City planned on the sidewalk installation from the front of the Court House to Howdy's. The County would like to include lighting as well.

PUBLIC HEARING opened at 6:03 pm
Partial Vacation of Service Way, 21-01

Council Member Cynda Herrick recused herself due to a conflict of interest.

Staff Report presented by the Treasurer who clarified that some properties were included in the vacation that should not have been and identified those. Valley County requested the partial vacation on February 25, 2021. The City P&Z was unable to make a recommendation to Council due to a lack of quorum. Idaho Power cannot vacate this easement because it is where the main feeder line for the city of Cascade exists. Cascade Rural Fire District does not support the easement from an emergency response and fire services standpoint. The City Building Official not in support the vacation due to the limited emergency exits. The Cascade Superintendent is not in support of the easement as the main water/sewer lines for the City are located within that area. A letter from Steve Bates who also represented indicated support for only a portion of the requested vacation.

County Commissioner Elt Hasbrouck presented his viewpoint. The 4th district court has concerns over the security of entrances to the courthouse and illustrated the potential for a truck bomb to enter the compound from the rear of the building. Something is needed, like a courtyard, between the Jail and the Courthouse on the north side. The Commissioners believe that they could live with the Idaho Power and City easements but would like to see a permanent solution to protect the courthouse from an attack. Something built into the roadbed to deter vehicular entry could be a viable solution. Commissioner Hasbrouck further expressed that if secure access to the courthouse is not resolved soon, trials will need to be moved to Boise. Transporting inmates and holding trials in Boise and housing and feeding Jurors would become expensive.

Public Comment

For Steve Bate, owner of LOT 15 and representing Renee Shue; owner of lots 16, 17 and 18 was in support of the vacation of lots 14 thru 18 but would still need the Service Way entry to their businesses.

Neutral No Comments.

Against No Comments.

The Mayor closed the Public Hearing at 6:18 pm.

NEW BUSINESS

AB 21-52 Partial Vacation of Service Way (Action Item)

Discussion: There was discussion as to whether a possibility where the City can vacate the street and keep the easements could exist or could an MOU be created to block the road and maintain 24/7 access for City utilities.

Motion by by Rachel Huckaby to deny the vacation on agenda bill No. 21-52 and work on an MOU to explore alternative solutions.

The City Treasurer will work with City Attorney Matt Johnson to explore alternative solutions.

Seconded by Ron Brown

Roll Call Yes, Rachel Huckaby Yes, Denise Tangen
Yes, Ron Brown Recused, Cynda Herrick

Motion passed.

AB 21-54 MOU Renewal -Noxious Weeds for 6/1/21 through 9/30/21 (Action Item)

Motion by Cynda Herrick to renew the contract MOU for noxious weed abatement with Valley Cty.

Seconded by Rachel Huckaby

Discussion: Council Member Huckaby asked if the 2020-2021 MOU was completed to the city's satisfaction and further inquired about the actual cost of services performed. The Mayor will check with the City superintendent.

Roll Call Yes, Denise Tangen Yes, Cynda Herrick
Yes, Ron Brown Yes, Rachel Huckaby

Motion passed.

AB 21-55 Award of Chip Seal Project (Action Item)

Discussion: Two bids were received from Boswell Paving and Knife River. The City Engineer reviewed both applications for completeness. Boswell Paving was the lowest bid and met all criteria. The chip sealing will occur on the beginning of Cabarton road to the new pavement and will include Lakeshore Drive No. 1 and No. 2 as well as the recently paved portions of Pine St. and Front St.

Motion by Rachel Huckaby to accept the Boswell bid for Chip sealing in the amount of \$147,538.15

AB 21-61 Bad Debt – Utility (Action Item)

Motion by Cynda Herrick to approve the write-off of bad debt in the amount of \$6,052.63.

Seconded by Ron Brown

Roll Call Yes, Rachel Huckaby Yes, Denise Tangen
 Yes. Cynda Herrick Yes, Ron Brown

Motion passed.

AB 21-62 Internal Budget Calendar (Action Item)

For all Council Members to be able to attend the department roundtable schedule in mid-May, the date was changed from May 19th to May 20th so all could be in attendance. The meeting will start at 5:00 pm instead of 6:00 pm. and will last approximately two hours.

Council Member Tangen requested the Treasurer to provide (for the roundtable discussion) the detailed transactions for the LGIP accounts that show what items have been funded.

The budget calendar will the change of the August 2nd special meeting to August 9th, 2021.

Motion by Cynda Herrick to approve the 2021/2022 budget calendar.

Seconded by Rachel Huckaby

Roll Call Yes, Denise Tangen Yes, Cynda Herrick
 Yes, Ron Brown Yes, Rachel Huckaby

Motion passed.

CONSENT AGENDA

Payment approval report through April 23, 2021 (Action Item)

Motion by Rachel Huckaby to approve the payment approval report in the amount of \$37,774.72.

Seconded by Cynda Herrick

Clarifications: The AIC conference fees are for both the City Clerk and Treasurer to attend the conference. The \$6,000.00 to the City Attorneys office was for River District work related to the Flood Plain Development permit and the new attorney representing the River District.

Roll Call Yes, Ron Brown Yes, Rachel Huckaby
 Yes, Denise Tangen Yes. Cynda Herrick

Motion passed.

March payroll reports were already approved. No action was necessary. (Action Item)

March 2021 Financials (Action Item)

Motion by Cynda Herrick to approve the financial statements ending 3/31/21.

Seconded by Denise Tangen

Roll Call Yes, Ron Brown Yes, Denise Tangen
 Yes, Cynda Herrick Yes, Rachel Huckaby

Motion passed.

Approval of April 12, 2021 Meeting Minutes

(Action Item)

Motion by Cynda Herrick to approve the April 12, 2021 minutes.
Seconded by Denise Tangen

Corrections: AB 21-49 “between the City and Idaho Parks and Rec” to “with Idaho Parks...”.

Roll Call	Yes, Rachel Huckaby	Yes, Denise Tangen
	Yes. Cynda Herrick	Yes, Ron Brown

Motion passed.

Mayor Update

Grant funding for 1588’ of Strand paving at 10’ wide and 3” deep.

On Earth day city staff and (13) volunteers who picked up approximately 500 lbs. of trash in one hour.

The Council was asked to be aware of what action they would take in the event of an emergency or natural disaster and to come up with at least one plan.

Outline of what is planned for the May 10th agenda.

Discussion of the idea of combining City Hall and the Library.

At the end of the month, all ribbons on display downtown need to be removed.

ADJOURNMENT by Mayor Nissula at 8:02 pm